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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In Re: U.S. Patent Application of AWAD, Thomas Jefferson *et al.*  
Appl. No.: 10/719,377 Art Unit: 2617  
Filed: November 21, 2003 Examiner: LE, Danh C.  
For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR REDUCING ECHO IN A  
COMMUNICATION SYSTEM**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir/Madam:

In response to the Office Action of July 10, 2006, please amend the present patent application as follows and reconsider the application in view of the following remarks.

A petition for extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) is being submitted concurrently herewith.

Please note the change in attorney docket number from OCTASIC-001 to 86147-14.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in a listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 13 of this paper.

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